Next 30 Days of Season 26

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Moving Into May

April has come and gone and we're now already close to the halfway point of the new season. As we move into the month of May, we'd like to highlight some exciting events that are coming up as well as express our sincere gratitude to all our Xbox Ambassadors.

We'd like to extend a friendly welcome to any new Xbox Ambassadors who joined in the first month of Season 26 and wish our congratulations to any Xbox Ambassadors who celebrated their anniversary in the program in the last month.

We're always incredibly grateful for all the good that you do as you live the values of the Xbox Ambassador pledge each day.

The Season of the Storyteller

Stories are essential for shaping and understanding our lives and the world around us. Each day, we process the events and activities we experience through stories to form narratives. For instance, when you're asked about your day, rarely do you simply list the different things that you did or witnessed. Instead, we orient our day's events into a cohesive timeline or narrative, to tell a specific story about our day. These daily stories are then processed into the larger narratives of our lives. Narratives that help us process and understand who we are, where we came from, and what we may become in the future.

In our next 30 days of Season 26, we have two exciting new events that will help us stretch the boundaries and potential of storytelling in our own lives and communities.

Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

The month of May is Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, a time of recognizing and celebrating the Asian and Pacific Islander heritage of our Xbox Ambassadors and larger communities. To mark Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month within the Xbox Ambassadors community, we've asked Ambassadors who identify as Asian and Pacific Islander to share their own stories on how games with diverse representation have affected them, as well as how their heritage has shaped their presence within the gaming community.

Mental Health Awareness Month

May is also Mental Health Awareness Month, a time to raise awareness of the struggles of mental unhealth, as well as to empower people to prioritize and advocate for their mental health and wellbeing. The Xbox Ambassadors program will observe Mental Health Awareness Month with stories from our own Ambassadors on how gaming and the gaming community has helped them maintain their mental health and wellbeing.

Looking Ahead to the Next 30 Days

Every season has its new releases, and the upcoming month of May is no different. From side-scrolling RPG's to cinematically themed adventure, the next 30 days have you covered. The following are all slated for release on the Xbox during the month of May.

1. **Trek to Yomi**: Heavily influenced by Japanese cinema, *Trek to Yomi* takes you on a side-scrolling adventure through the Edo Period of samurai and historical Japan. Equip your character with bows, katanas and bo-shurikens as you confront the villains responsible for the destruction of your village.
2. **Eiyuden Chronicle: Rising**: The side-scrolling prequel to *Eiyuden Chronicle: Hundred Heroes*, *Eiyuden Chronicle: Rising* promises seamless combat, an immersive new storyline, and a steady pacing that's great for newcomers as well as longtime fans of the franchise.
3. **Deadcraft**: In a world filled with a deadly virus that causes zombification, you'll need more than your wits to make it through the apocalypse alive. From slicing up zombies with a weed whacker to growing your own zombie army, you can do anything to survive in the newest zombie survival game.
4. **Dolmen**: Developer Massive Work Studio's most recent installment *Dolmen*, is coming to Xbox this May. With a degree of difficulty similar to FromSoftware's *Souls* franchise, this sci-fi RPG is not for the faint of heart. *Dolmen* is the studio's first major release and is already generating early buzz among critics.

When Everyone Can Play, We All Win

The Xbox Ambassadors' mission is centered on making gaming a more welcoming and inclusive environment for all gamers. We'd like to thank all the Xbox Ambassadors who help make this possible by living the Xbox Ambassador values, by sharing positivity across multiple channels and platforms, and by choosing to promote friendliness in gaming. From tenured veterans to brand new beginners, we appreciate all that you do.

For more on what's happening with the Xbox Ambassador's program, be sure to follow us on Twitter.

In Case You Missed It

Our incredible individual Xbox Ambassadors are what help drive this program. That extends to the Xbox Ambassador Blog. Our blog discusses topics surrounding gaming and the larger Xbox community. Whether you'd like to share a story about how gaming has personally affected you, or if you have ideas on how to make gaming better, we'd love to read your writing!

We're always accepting content submissions that are relevant to gaming and the Xbox Ambassadors community and are aligned with the program's principles. Learn more about submitting your writing to the Xbox Ambassadors Blog.

Enjoy the next 30 days of Season 26!